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Federal Communications Commission By on line filing from ronaylaw@gmail.com

Re: Request Reconsideration of FCC rule to remove environmental assessment of cell towers

Gentlemen/Ladies

I file this Request for Reconsideration as the proposed Rule is extremely ill advised in that there is significant scientific data to show the health dangers of wireless transmissions.

The rule prohibits local consideration of health dangers. As such, it is manifestly contrary to the duty of Federal, State and local government to provide for public safety. On a local basis, it eliminates the right of freedom of speech as the administrative agencies determining the applications for construction of cell towers and the duty to regulate them will reject any attempt by any person or group to voice their opposition.

Local administrative agencies have already used the 1966 Telecommunications Act section 704 to ban consideration of health and safety concerns for the placement and regulation of cell towers. It is currently still possible to voice opposition, such opposition requires intensive time and effort on the part of local citizenry and even then is significantly overmatched by the time, effort and funds devoted by the telecommunications industry. That industry is able to recoup any financial cost. Meanwhile, both the immediate and long term health effects to people living in proximity to the towers can never be recouped.

In general, I support de-regulation. But there is no benefit to ban consideration of the health and safety concerns, particularly in today's environment. It is ironic the government is focusing on health concerns from "voluntary" activities (eg. Opioids, other drugs, alcohol and smoking) and not just turning a blind eye, but preventing any discussion as to the deleterious effects of exposing people to health hazards as to which decisions they are prevented from making.

I know a number of people personally who share my concerns and am aware that these concerns are known and expressed nationwide as well. Please reconsider and withdraw the proposed rule.

Sincerely,

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